Dear Regis parents and families,

It seems like just last week our school year started—we were all learning to face this "new normal" that felt so remote and distant. We are now approaching the end of Term A, and are happy to see the ways in which our students have yet again overcome obstacles and acclimated to this new experience. We are incredibly proud of them, and we know you are too. They have found ways to connect, to come together, to have meaningful conversations, and most importantly, to learn and grow. As we begin Term B next week, we hope they continue to have an enriching experience. Please know we are here to support you and your students, and hope the information in this newsletter proves to be helpful as you guide them throughout the remainder of the fall semester.

We also encourage you to check out this fun virtual care package that our Center for Student Engagement sent to your student earlier this week.

With pride,

Marsha Glines, PhD
Dean, Academic Student Services

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Spring 2021 Academic Calendar
Taking into account the ongoing global pandemic and its continued public health implications, the Office of Academic Affairs recently shared some changes and adjustments to the academic calendar for the spring 2021 semester. Please note the important updates highlighted below:

- 15-week semester for all undergraduate students
- No spring break
- Shortened Easter break
- No classes on Thursday, March 18, in honor of Heritage Day

Additional information about the spring semester, including course delivery, student residency, and move-in process, will be shared in separate emails to students in the coming weeks. Please visit our Return to Regis web page for the most up-to-date information.

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**Founders' Day Promoted Good Trouble**

We celebrated our Founders’ Day on Thursday, September 24. This annual tradition marks the arrival of the Sisters of St. Joseph to Boston in 1837. Typically, the day pays homage to the Sisters’ core value of serving “the dear neighbor without distinction” as students, faculty, and staff perform community service in the Greater Boston area, Weston, and Lawrence. Health and safety guidelines related to the ongoing pandemic prevented the Regis community from going out, so the day was spent looking inward.

Inspired by calls both within Regis and across the country for an end to systemic racism, this year’s Founders’ Day was a virtual dialogue about racism, inequality, and social justice. The panel discussions were recorded and can be viewed on YouTube using the buttons below. Read more about Founders' Day.

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**Convocation 2020**

Although we were not able to physically gather in the Fine Arts Center as we normally would, we celebrated the official beginning of the fall semester and welcomed our first-year students to the Regis Pride at our virtual Convocation.
ceremony on Tuesday, September 15. The celebration was recorded and can be viewed on YouTube using the button below.

Watch Convocation >>

Academic Support Services

As we prepare to begin Term B, we wanted to share some reminders about academic support services provided by our Library and Finucane and O'Sullivan Institute for Learning.

Research can be challenging, but our Library staff is here to help! Please encourage your student to check out the helpful resources below and to contact our librarians early and often for additional one-on-one support.

- Library instruction videos
- Help! I have a research paper
- How to do a literature search
- Citing sources: APA style
- Citing sources: MLA style

There are also a number of learning communities and study groups that are offered on a regular basis. The full schedule can be found here. We also recommend students connect with their academic coach to receive support tailored to their individual learning needs and goals.

Financial Aid and Student Accounts Announcement

We recognize there have been many questions regarding student billing and financial aid. As you can imagine, there has been a high volume of inquiries, and both offices are working hard to respond to each one. In the meantime, we encourage you to review our FAQs online here. If you have further questions that need answering, please contact the following email addresses:
finaid@regiscollege.edu
All undergraduate and on-the-ground graduate student questions related to FAFSA, grants, scholarships, loans, and the federal work-study program

finaidonline@regiscollege.edu
All graduate online student questions regarding federal student loans

student.accounts@regiscollege.edu
All undergraduate and on-the-ground graduate student questions regarding billing, collection of fees, scholarship payments or checks

online.studentaccounts@regiscollege.edu
All graduate online student questions regarding billing and collection of fees

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Campus COVID-19 Dashboard

The Regis Dashboard tracks COVID-19 testing and results of students and employees on the Weston campus. The dashboard will be updated weekly with the most recent test results available. For more information about Regis' COVID-19 response and testing process visit our Testing page.

The overall results since campus testing began on August 19, 2020 (as of September 30, 2020) can be seen below. Please note that invalid test results are excluded from the total result tallies

1,482
Total Tests Performed

1
Total Positive Tests
**Important Term B Dates**

Below we've highlighted some important dates for the remainder of the fall semester. Please refer to the [fall 2020 academic calendar](https://learn.regiscollege.edu/parent-family-newsletter-october-2020?_ga=2.62289452.1670465062.1604428971-942373309.1570469829) for the most up-to-date schedule.

**October 12**

Columbus Day (No Classes)

**October 13**

Fall Term B Classes Begin

**October 16**

Add/Drop Ends

**November 9-13**

Registration Meeting with Faculty Advisor for January/Spring 2021

**November 16-20**

Registration for January/Spring 2021

**November 25-29**

Thanksgiving Break

**November 30**

Classes Resume as Scheduled
December 3-4
Final Exam Period

December 6
Fall Term B Ends

Civic Engagement Initiatives

As the election approaches, our Civic Engagement Committee has been busy educating our campus and our community on the importance of participating in democracy by voting. The mission of Regis calls us to be civically engaged in our communities. This year, Regis is participating in the All In Campus Democracy Challenge in which we are actively encouraging our students to register to vote and learn about what will be on the ballot this November. If your student has questions or wants to get involved, please have them contact Erin Wisniewski.

Virtual Let It Shine Gala ✨

Join us as we honor Regis health care heroes and support student scholarships at this year’s Virtual Let It Shine Gala on October 28. Our students—the heroes of tomorrow—need our support now more than ever amid the pandemic. At the event, you’ll hear from Alexa Petkewich ’22, a Sister Thérèse Higgins, CSJ Scholarship Recipient in the Young School of Nursing, about her Regis journey and her experience working the front lines of the pandemic. Watch her video message here or by clicking the image below.

You can register here. If you are unable to attend, you can still make a gift to help support Regis students. 100% of the funds go to student scholarships.
Parent and Family Liaisons

In collaboration with offices across campus, we serve as resources for parents and families as you support your students throughout their time at Regis. We strive to partner with you to enhance the student experience as well as strengthen your own connection to our community. Please feel free to contact us if we can be of any assistance. We look forward to working with you!

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